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In re Application of

: EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

: RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Takayuki SUGAHARA

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:Prior Group Art Unit: 2613

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For: REPRODUCTION APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING USER MODIFIABLE PROTECTION OF DATA REPRODUCTION (as amended)

AMENDMENT SUBMISSION IN SUPPORT OF REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop <u>RCE</u> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed January 14, 2003, applicant has filed herewith a Request for Continued Examination, along with the appropriate Fee. Upon granting the Request, please amend the application as follows.